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FOREWORD

This January 2001 edition of the TRICARE Acquisition Manual (TAM) replaces the OCHAMPUS Acquisition Manual (OAM) including all its changes. The OAM is obsolete and no further changes will be issued to it. The TAM is effective 12 January 2001.

The TAM is internal agency guidance which enhances and puts into practice higher level issuances, e.g., the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and the DoD Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS). The TAM, together with the FAR and DFARS, provides uniformity, guidance, and direction to all TRICARE Management Activity personnel and organizational elements in their acquisition of supplies or services. The TAM does not repeat, paraphrase, or otherwise restate the FAR or DFARS.

Electronic copies of the TAM are available at the TRICARE website.

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